

Testimony for SENIOR CARE ADULT DAY CARE

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Good afternoon my name is Patricia Rockwell. I am the Administrator of the Senior Care Adult Day Care Centers. I am here to speak on behalf of the 48 Adult Day Health Centers and as a caregiver.

I thank you for your past and continued support of Adult Day Centers. In the past, center representatives have presented a detailed list of the numerous health and social services our centers provide and their cost effectiveness.

Our Senior Care centers include nursing services, care management, personal care and bathing services, nutritious meals and dietary monitoring, social work services, therapeutic recreational activities, rehabilitation services, wheelchair-escorted transportation.

All these services are provided at the reimbursement rate of \$70.22. While our costs continue to rise.

The state does not provide additional reimbursement for transportation, a service that Adult Day Centers are mandated to provide. Also centers do not receive reimbursement for participant absenteeism due to inclement weather, illness or unscheduled cancellation of planned service. This has adversely impacted our center this winter.

While we understand the budget challenges that the state faces, we hope that you will see the value of Adult Day Services and further invest in the value that such services add to the continuum of long term care. We strongly believe that further investment in our programs are a key component to the strategic rebalancing plan underway here in the state. We respectfully request that you continue your recognition of adult day services and provide the increased funding necessary to ensure their continued success.

Thank you for your time, I would be happy to answer any questions.

Respectfully Submitted,

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